

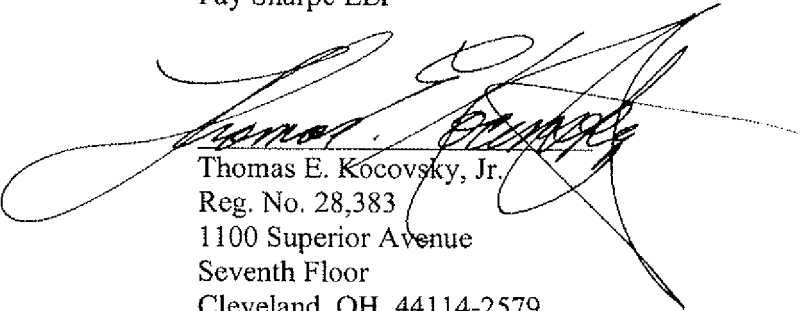
REMARKS

The Board has been remanding applications already on appeal for consideration whether the claims comply with 35 U.S.C. § 101 as interpreted by *in Re Bilski*. The purpose of this amendment is to preemptively address this issue by adding a transformative step to the end of method claim 7 and to amend dependent claim 10 for consistency therewith.

It is submitted that this amendment should be entered to reduce the issues on appeal. If the Examiner agrees that this amendment is needed in light of *in Re Bilski*, it is requested that the Examiner enter this amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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